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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN LAFAYETTE COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (6-2) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Lafayette County, according to Commission Chairman Carl Rosenbaum of Little Rock and Lafayette County Judge Frank Scroggins.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately 8.5 miles of County Road 47 near Gin City, and County Road 314, near Pleasant Valley. Salt Creek paving & Construction Compamny, Inc. of Benton, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$218,049.66.

“Improvements on County Road 47 will begin at Highway 160 and extend southward,” stated Judge Scroggins. “Work on County Road 314 will begin at Highway 60 and continue eastward to Highway 360.”

Rosenbaum noted that the County Road project is funded through the State Aid Road Program established by the legislature and administered by the State Aid Division of the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department. This program provides approximately \$20 million annually from the state motor fuels tax to assist counties with projects of their choosing on the county road system.

Rosenbaum said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in late September of this year.

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